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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Ligon on 4/19/02 and again on 4/22/02.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1, line 3, "reporting" has been changed to --managing--.

Claim 1, line 7, add --c. wherein said controller operates to adjust

transmission parameters for data transmitted to said at least one remote site as a function of said reported data.--

Claim 15, line 1, "reporting" has been changed to --managing--.

Claim 15, line 11, add --c. wherein said controller operates to adjust transmission

parameters for data transmitted to said at least one mobile station as a function of said reported data.--

Claim 22, line 3, "reporting" has changed to --managing--.

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Claim 22, line 7, "performed without" has been changed to performed on a periodic basis without--.

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Claim 22, line 7, "controller; and" has been changed to controller; and wherein said period of reporting is a function of a rate of arrival of data transmitted to said at least one remote site; and--.

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Claim 22, line 8, "wherein system data of said forward link includes data collected at each of said at least one remote sites." has been changed to wherein said controller operates to adjust transmission parameters for data transmitted to said at least one remote site as a function of said reported data.--.

Claim 25, line 1, "reporting" has been changed to --managing--.

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Claim 25, line 9, "performed without" has been changed to performed on a periodic basis without--.

B7
Claim 25, line 9, "station," has been changed to station, wherein said period of reporting is a function of a rate of arrival of data transmitted to said at least one mobile station.--.

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Claim 25, line 10, "wherein said forward link transmission parameters include measured signal strength." has been changed to wherein said controller operates to adjust transmission parameters for data transmitted to said at least one mobile station as a function of said reported data.--.

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3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 1 and 15, the reporting of transmission parameters measured by a remote site or mobile station being performed synchronously with data received at the remote site via a communication link to a controller or base station without instruction from the controller or base station was neither found, suggested, nor made evident by the prior art.

Regarding claims 22 and 25, where the limitation regarding the reporting of measured system data to the system controller or base station that is performed on a periodic basis without instruction from the controller or base station and where the period of reporting is a function of a rate of arrival of data transmitted to the at least one remote site or mobile station was neither found, suggested, nor made evident by the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alan T. Gantt whose telephone number is (703) 305-0077.

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